

REMARKS

Claims 1- 3 remain pending in this application with claims 2 and 3 being amended and claims 4- 10 being withdrawn from consideration.

New Claims 11-13 represent method claim versions of Claims 1-3, respectively.

Objection to Claims 2 and 3

Claims 2 and 3 are objected to for certain informalities. Claims 2 and 3 have been formally amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner to remove reference numerals from the claims. In view of the amendments to claims 2 and 3, it is respectfully submitted that this objection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e)

Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable over Katsuyama et al. (5,701,385).

The present claimed invention recites a digital recording and replay apparatus adapted for use with a decoder. The digital recording and replay apparatus includes a transducer for reproducing a video representative digital signal from a recorded medium. Replay electronics coupled to the transducer process the video representative digital signal to produce an output signal bit stream. The output signal bit stream is provided to the decoder for producing a video signal. A status message signal generator, which is responsive to an operating mode of the digital recording and replay apparatus, generates a status message signal. A device is coupled to receive the video signal from the decoder and insert the status message signal into the video signal decoded from the output signal bit stream.

Katsuyama et al. teach an apparatus for replaying a disc-shaped recording medium. A replay unit conducts the replay processing of data read out from the head.

A display data producing unit produces a plurality of display data for conducting a plurality of display indicating the contents recorded on the respective disc-shaped recording media that have been received in the receiver within one screen.

The Examiner contends that Katsuyama et al. teach a generator (OSD) for generating the status message of the operation mode of the recording/reproducing apparatus. However, Katsuyama et al. only "monitor [the] device or the like through the OSD processor" (Col 22, lines 19) "during the replay operation of the video CD" (Col 22, line 15). Only then is the "predetermined display...superimposed on the output video" (Col 22, lines 20-21). This is unlike the present claimed invention which provides "a status message signal generator, responsive to an operating mode of said digital recording and replay apparatus, for generating a status message signal" as claimed in claim 1 of the present invention. The present invention is able to generate status messages during playback and recording. Furthermore, Katsuyama et al. only allow "a predetermined display [to] be superimposed on the output video" (Col 22, lines 19-20). Katsuyama et al. neither disclose nor suggest "a status message signal generator, responsive to an operating mode of said digital recording and replay apparatus, for generating a status message signal" as claimed in claim 1 of the present invention. Thus, the applicant respectfully submits that even though Katsuyama et al. teach of superimposing a predetermined display on the output video during the replay operation of a video CD they do not teach of "a status message signal generator, responsive to an operating mode of said digital recording and replay apparatus, for generating a status message signal" as claimed in claim 1 of the present invention. In fact, Katsuyama et al. are not concerned with the status of the apparatus but only the display of recorded data related to the contents recorded on the recording medium. Thus, since claims 2 and 3 are dependant on claim 1 it is respectfully submitted that claims 2 and 3 are patentable for the same reasons as discussed above in reference to claim 1.

In view of the above remarks and amendments to the claims it is respectfully submitted that there is no 35 U.S.C. 112 compliant enabling disclosure in Katsuyama et al. showing the above discussed features. It is thus further respectfully submitted that

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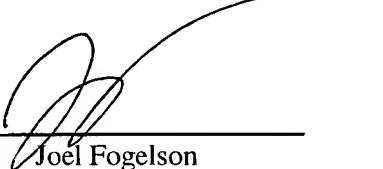
claims 2-3 are not anticipated by Katsuyama et al. It is thus, further respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn. In addition, Claims 11-13 are patentable for the same reasons given above for Claims 1-3, above.

The applicant respectfully submits, in view of the above arguments, that the all arguments made by the Examiner have been addressed and this rejection should be withdrawn. Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that the present claimed invention is patentable.

No additional fee is believed due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge the additional fee to Deposit Account 07-0832.

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